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SUBJECT: EXCHANGES NEGOTIATIONS

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1. MFA SIXTH DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR ZANTOVSKY TODAY
HANDED AMBASSADOR DRAFT OF US-CSSR AGREEMENT "ON
COOPERATION IN THE FIELDS OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY".
AS SIGNALLED, TEXT IS STRUCTURED AS FULL AGREEMENT,
NOT PORTION OF BROADER DOCUMENT. (ZANTOVSKY HAD, OF
COURSE, ALREADY STATED CZECHS' UNDERSTANDING THAT WE
WOULD NEGOTIATE SINGLE AGREEMENT.)

2. DRAFT (POUCHED TO EUR/SES) ESTABLISHES BROAD
UMBRELLA FOR RANGE OF ACTIVITIES FROM EDUCATION TO
JOINT RESEARCH AND OTHER UNSTATED FORMS OF SCIENTIFIC
AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION. IT PROVIDES FURTHER FOR
"CONCLUSION OF IMPLEMENTING AGREEMENTS BETWEEN
APPROPRIATE ORGANS, ORGANIZATIONS AND FIRMS" AND FOR
ESTABLISHMENT OF JOINT COMMISSION TO MEET ANNUALLY,
DECIDE ON ACTIVITIES AND RECORD THESE IN PROTOCOL.
PROPOSED TERM IS FIVE YEARS WITH FIVE YEAR EXTENSION.

3. ZANTOVSKY SAID THAT CZECHS ARE READY TO OPEN DIS-
CUSSIONS ON DRAFT TEXTS. IF DEPARTMENT DOES NOT INSTRUCT
US TO CONTRARY, WE WILL INFORM HIM ABOUT DECEMBER 5 THAT
WE TOO ARE READY TO BEGIN DISCUSSIONS. WE WOULD PROPOSE
TO DEFEND AND EXPLAIN U.S. DRAFT, AND TO REPORT CZECH
VIEWS--AND OURS--ON DIFFERENCES.

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